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(37 CFR 1.63)**

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Attorney Docket Number FA0912 US NA  
First Named Inventor Gerhard Bremer

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Application Number /  
Filing Date November 18, 2003  
Group Art Unit  
Examiner Name

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

High Solid Coating Compositions

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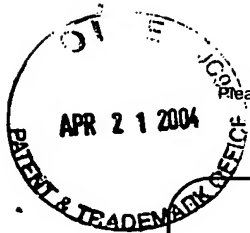
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